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SUBJ: POSSIBILITY OF OVERLAND GRAIN SHIPMENTS FROM ALGERIA

INTO NIGER

REFS: (A) PARIS 10187 (NOTAL) (B) NIAMEY 1283 (NOTAL)

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(E) ALGIERS 0779 (NOTAL)

1. ALGIERS AND OTHER ALGERIAN PORTS ARE CAPABLE OF HANDLING
5000 TONS OF GRAIN. LIMITING FACTORS ARE 29 FOOT MAXIMUM
DRAFT, NO BULK LOADING FACILITIES, LIMITED STORAGE
FACILITIES, AND POSSIBLE DELAYS IN PORT.

2. USINT HAS OBTAINED QUOTE OF 1112.08 DINARS PER TON BY TRUCK
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ALGIERS-NIAMEY OR ROUGHLY DOLS 265 PER TON. SOME TRUCKS ARE

AVAILABLE, BUT 5000 TONS WOULD DEMAND SEVERAL HUNDRED TRUCKS WHICH WOULD ONLY BE AVAILABLE, IF AT ALL, THROUGH GOA INTERCESSION; SEE REFTEL E. GOA HAS ITS HANDS FULL SHIPPING TO ALGERIAN SAHEL, SO IT IS DOUBTFUL IT WOULD WISH TO COMMIT SO MANY DESERT TRUCKS TO SUPPLY OF NIGER AND/OR MALI.

3. TRUCKING CONTINUES SOUTH IN ALGERIA ON YEAR AROUND BASIS, BUT USUALLY DECREASES DURING SUMMER HEAT.

4. STILL WAITING REPLY ON BAGGING FACILITIES AT VARIOUS ALGERIAN PORTS, UNLOADING ESTIMATES, AND TRUCKING PRICE TO AGADEZ AND ARLIT, BUT EXPECT PRICE TO NIAMEY REPRESENTATIVE.

5. BELGIANS SENT CONVOY OF BELGIAN ARMY TRUCKS LOADED WITH MEDICAL SUPPLIES TO SAHEL FROM ALGIERS. THEY ENCOUNTERED NUMEROUS LOGISTICAL PROBLEMS. UK IS JUST SENDING EMPTY CONVOY OF UK ARMY TRUCKS SOUTH ON BASIS THAT TRANSPORTATION IN SAHEL AREA IS WHAT IS NEEDED MORE THAN GRAIN SUPPLIES. CONVOY LEFT ALGIERS MAY 1.EAGLETON

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